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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: PRG Meeting on Saudi Arms Sales, 5 October 1987

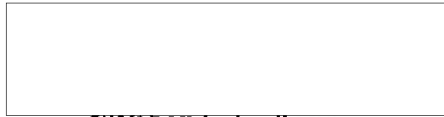
1. The PRG meeting was called to discuss the next step in the Administration's strategy for proposed arms sales to the Gulf States. There was considerable discussion of the informal briefings that have been going on with Congress. It is clear from these informal considerations that the issue will be "How much of a fight do you want?" Any package of arms will meet opposition, but there was a strong view that the inclusion of the Maverick missiles in the package would make it almost impossible. One question was whether or not deleting the Mavericks from the package (which includes a package to upgrade existing aircraft, tanks, and other miscellaneous equipment) merely would mean that we would get further deletions.

2. PRG members were asked to contact principals on the option they prefer. These options are:

- a. submit the whole package including 1600 Maverick missiles;
- b. cut our losses at the beginning and do not include the Maverick in the package;
- c. send a package up that has a request for only about 800 Mavericks;
- d. send a request that includes just a handful of Mavericks.

There was some question on the timing -- should we send the entire package forward at once, should we divide it up, or should we send the Maverick package alone, acknowledging that we know Congress has difficulty with it.

3. No NSPG meeting is planned at this time.

  
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